be in Pakistani jails. While Pakistan has consistently denied their presence in their jails, they have at our request undertaken to conduct a fresh enquiry into the matter. We are continuing to press Pakistan on this issue.

Specialised Police Force to protect Historic Monuments

*134. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI; DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration for the creation of a specialised police force vested with the sole responsibility of protecting the country's myriad historic monuments; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Complaints from Training Institutions for Women in distress

*135. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints from training institutions for women in distress for not releasing the amounts sanctioned/granted to them; and

(b) what are the names of such institutions in various States which have been closed for non-availability of adequate funds and harassment from bureaucrats/administrators?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No such case has been brought to the notice of the Central Government.

Schemes for better Management of University System

*136. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission has recently initiated several new schemes for better management of the University system in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) and (b) The University Grants Commission was established under an Act of Parliament in 1956 to make provision for coordination and determination of standards in universities. The Commission has since its inception taken various measures and formulated a number of innovative schemes to achieve its objectives. In Pursuance of the thrust areas identified by the National Policy on Education—1986, the U.G.C. has recently initiated a number of schemes in the higher education sector. The schemes initiated by the Commission for better management of the university system in the country include the following:

(i) *Scheme of Autonomous Colleges*

The major objectives of this scheme are de-centralisation of academic administration, freedom to colleges to frame their own courses, provide for teaching and conduct of examinations, etc., encouragement to innovation and experimentation. Since the announcement of the Policy, 76 colleges have been conferred autonomy, bringing the total number of autonomous colleges in the country to 96.